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To the People of Punta Gorda and Vicinity

I beg to announce that I am adding to my stock of **First Class Groceries, Fruits and Confectioneries** a big line of **GROCKERY, CLASSWARE AND TINWARE.**

and will continue to put in new lines of goods of different kinds as may be required until my stock is second to none in town.

I respectfully invite you to call and inspect my stock and prices, assuring you of

SATISFACTION IN BOTH PRICE AND QUALITY OF GOODS.

Very truly yours,

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Punta Gorda

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Do you know what **HEALTH INSURANCE** is? It may be worth \$25 per week to you to call at this agency and be informed.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS FITHLY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

County commissioners and school board met Tuesday.

Useppa Inn closed last week. It had a very successful season.

Only three hundred Punta Gorda folks went to Tampa Monday.

The good rains have enabled people here to set out a great many sweet potato plants.

Mrs. Jas. L. Sandlin and children left Monday evening to join Mr. Sandlin in Asheville, N. C.

Hon. A. C. Freeman has a regular embalmer's diploma issued by the Philadelphia Training School.

Col. C. W. Forrester, brilliant lawyer of Arcadia, was mingling with his friends here last Saturday.

Col. Jno. H. Hancock, able lawyer of Fort Ogden, brightened this sanctuary with a call last Saturday.

An adjourned meeting of the town council will be held this Friday night, when the new members will be sworn in.

Those county commissioners who are seeking re-election seem to have incurred the adverse criticism of all the papers of the county.

A large party of people going on an excursion to Tampa came up from Fort Myers and the islands on the St. Lucie Monday evening.

Chadwick Bros. Fish Co. with a force of men are busily engaged building a large wharf just east of the railroad dock.

Pure, fresh candy made daily; factory next to King Hotel.—21tf.

Mrs. J. H. Bowman, accompanied by five of her children, left Monday evening to visit her father in Wilmington, N.C. for three weeks.

Miss Ellen, the bright and winsome daughter of Mr. F. M. Cooper, returned last week from Stetson University.

Mr. C. M. Johnson, candidate for the legislature nomination, was in town yesterday interviewing the voters. He favored THE HERALD with a call.

Mrs. H. M. Ried, of Brunswick, Ga., is visiting her sisters, Mesdames Jno. H. Farrington and Albert F. Dewey. She is accompanied by her little daughter.

Sheriff Fielder was here last Saturday, but he wouldn't talk politics. He says, however, that he expects to live in Punta Gorda before very many years. Good; there's plenty of room for him.

Mr. H. M. Davis, who has had a great deal of successful experience, offers to prepare the land, furnish plants of any desired variety and set out pineapple gardens by contract. See his advertisement.

Capt. K. B. Harvey has had a force of men at work for ten days past putting in thorough order the roads from the Myakka river to Grove City and Englewood. This work is done at individual expense and costs the county nothing.

Don't forget to bring those broken pins, rings &c.; in fact all kinds of broken jewelry made as good as new by H. M. Higginbotham at Roberts' Drug Store.—22tf

While Cashier Williams of the bank was recreating at Boca Grande last week, he caught a shark that weighed 600 pounds. On being cut open, half a dozen young sharks each about a foot long and very much alive were found in the old one's stomach.

Hon. A. C. Freeman is in the race for county commissioner from this district. The confidence reposed in him by the people here has been twice demonstrated in his election as mayor of Punta Gorda. He is well qualified to fill the position; and should he be elected, the people may feel assured that their interests will be safe in his hands.

For wholesome, pure candy buy it from factory next to King Hotel.—21tf.

Messrs E. W. and J. P. Cox, live business men of Madison, accompanied by the latter's wife, spent several days here last week visiting their nephews, Messrs. Ed and J. B. Cox. They were much pleased with our little city and spoke favorably of the idea of locating here sometime in the future. They would prove welcome additions to our citizenship.

Mrs. Helen E. Reed, elder sister of our Mr. Albert F. Dewey, met with a serious accident in Hartford, Conn., on the 28th ult. When alighting from a street car, the sudden starting of the car threw her violently upon the street, dislocating her hip. She was promptly conveyed to a hospital and given expert attention, which it is earnestly hoped will result in her restoration.

The bank closed Tuesday in commemoration of the birth-day of Jefferson Davis, which is a State holiday.

Everybody in Punta Gorda didn't go to Tampa Monday; only six coach loads went and about ten times as many staid at home.

Mr. W. A. Hendry, candidate for county treasurer, was in town this week interviewing the voters in the interests of his candidacy.

Watches, clocks and jewelry neatly and promptly repaired by H. M. Higginbotham, at Roberts' Drug Store.—22tf

The rainy season appears to be on. We are having delightful breezes daily and refreshing showers every afternoon.

The infant child of Mr. J. H. Andrews died last Friday. He has the sympathy of all his friends in his successive bereavements.

FOR SALE: Cleaned Beggar Weed Seed: State quantity wanted. Write for prices to Jno. A. Germond, Edgar, Patman Co. Fla. 17-6t

A Fort Myers couple came up here last week and were quietly married on Thursday by Notary H. J. Spence. They were Mr. J. I. Sellers and Mrs. Maggie Bradley. May they live long and prosper.

Mr. J. D. Southerland of Wauchula, candidate for tax collector, was an agreeable caller in this office Wednesday. He was here in the interests of his candidacy, making himself solid with the voters.

Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agent. 14-4t

Punta Gorda municipal election Tuesday was a tame affair, but little interest being taken and scarcely half a vote polled. John C. Lewis, Belton Bassett and James L. Elliott were elected aldermen to fill vacancies in the council.

The Punta Gorda Livery Stables, E. A. Seward, manager, is a new enterprise recently established which solicits a share of the public patronage. Good horses and buggies and fair treatment. 17tf.

Mr. H. M. Higginbotham, lately of Arcadia, has bought out and taken charge of the jewelry and watch repairing business of Mr. Von Stein, which is located in the Roberts drug store. Mr. H. is a first-class workman and very polite and obliging.

Chairman Forrester and his associates of the county campaign committee are discharging their duties carefully and correctly. They have much to do, are doing it well and get no pay for the time and attention they are giving to the interests of all the candidates. THE HERALD extends them a vote of sincere thanks.

We carry a full line of American materials for different styles and grades of movements, and guarantee our watches to run and give satisfaction. Fine watch work a specialty; gold spectacles neatly repaired with gold solder.—H. M. Higginbotham, Roberts' Drug Store.

Boat and house builders should read the advertisement in this paper of the Phoenix copper and the Diamond mixed paints, for which Jas. A. Newsome is sole agent. It is claimed that, for this climate and for the purposes for which they are intended, these are the very best paints on the market.

Cut this out and take it to any drug store and get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, the best physic. They cleanse and invigorate the Stomach, improve the appetite and regulate the bowels. Regular size, 25c. per box. All Druggists.

Mr. R. W. Norwood of Plant City is here visiting his sister, Mrs. T. J. Wellons. Mrs. N. N. Wellons and baby Mary, of Madison, Fla., are also welcome visitors to the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wellons, who cordially invite Punta Gorda friends to come and see these visitors.

Miss Willye Stetson, who for several weeks past has been dangerously ill and whose life was several times despaired of, is now pronounced convalescent. This is joyful news to her legion of friends. She is a great favorite with both old and young and her dangerous condition caused general distress.

Chamberlain's Pain Balm is an antiseptic ointment, and when applied to cuts, bruises and burns, causes them to heal without maturation and much more quickly than by the usual treatment. For sale by All Druggists.

The News reports that Judge Geo. H. Holcomb, registering here from Montana, has bought of Holmes Bros. 25,000 acres of land near Cleveland in this county and will plant a 500-acre orange grove. Part of this information was given by THE HERALD some time ago. Judge Holcomb has also bought the Arcadia House and has placed his niece, Miss Lazzelle Linek, of Boston, in charge of it.

BIG CATTLE SHIPMENT. On Wednesday, the King Brothers and W. H. Hooker shipped from here 825 head of beef cattle to Cuba. Of these 325 go to Cardenas on Capt. McKay's schooner "Neally" which is towed by the tug "Dewey." The remaining 500 go on a Cuban barge towed by a Cuban tug to Nuevitas.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is everywhere recognized as the one remedy that can always be depended upon and that is pleasant to take. It is especially valuable for summer diarrhoea in children and is undoubtedly the means of saving the lives of a great many children each year. For sale by All Druggists.

DEATH OF MRS. WHITTEN.

Mrs. Hattie Whitten, the beloved wife of Mr. Wm. M. Whitten, after a long illness, peacefully passed away at 3:30 p. m. Wednesday at the family home in Pineapple Center. Her body, accompanied by the bereaved husband, was started by yesterday evening's train for her former home in South Bend, Ind., for interment.

Mrs. Whitten was about 42 years old. She had been an invalid for several years. She came here from South Bend several months ago, and it was earnestly hoped that the change of climate would conduce to her restoration, but in this her husband and kindred were disappointed. At first there was some improvement, but it did not last; she continued to decline until the sad ending occurred.

Mrs. Whitten for years had been a consistent member of the Methodist church and she died in the full assurance of a blessed resurrection. She was a lady of superior intellectual attainments and of a kind, sympathetic nature that endeared her to all who knew her. Besides her husband, she leaves four stepchildren, to whom she was both aunt and mother, to mourn her loss. Her bereaved ones have the heartfelt sympathy of all Punta Gorda.

MARRIED WEDNESDAY.

Mr. Sidney C. Whidden and Miss Florence May Young were married in Brooksville on Wednesday and will come here next week to reside. They will keep house in Mrs. Stella Gould's cottage opposite Hotel Dade.

Mr. Whidden is the popular and efficient postal clerk on the Lakeland and Punta Gorda route and has a host of friends who will rejoice in his having won such a charming bride. The bride is a lovely and lovable young lady, the daughter of Mr. D. B. Young, a trusted and valuable master mechanic in the employ of the P. & F. System. Her soft and gentle manners win the love of all who meet her.

She and her manly young husband have the best wishes of all Punta Gorda for their future happiness and prosperity.

SUCCESSFUL PEACH GROWING.

Mr. E. B. Hucksby is making quite a success growing peaches on his place at Cleveland, a few miles above here on the bay. He has six acres in Baldwin's early, Plant-o-Super, angel, honey and Ovidio peaches and all the trees are looking fine. They are three years old and are bearing their second crop this season. Dry weather cut the crop short, but still there will be 800 crates.

Mr. Hucksby keeps the local market well supplied and gets fair prices for his fruit,—33c. for a 4 quart basket, which is \$2.00 per crate of three pecks. At this rate, his present crop from six acres will bring him \$1,200. Had there been enough rain, the yield would have been twice as much.

THE HERALD thanks Mr. Hucksby for a basket of his peaches, which proved to be delicious.

NOTICE OF MARRIAGE.

The Rev. and Mrs. Purdue wish to give notice that their eldest daughter, Ailie M. A. Purdue, will be married to Mr. Henry Damm, of St. Petersburg, Fla., at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Punta Gorda, on Wednesday, June 11th, 1902, at 1 p. m. The ceremony will be performed by The Rev. William Crane Gray, Bishop of South Florida.

Owing to the recent death of the Rev. T. A. Purdue, only brother of the bride, there will be no cards, and the wedding will be more quiet than was first intended.

Reception immediately after the wedding at the Rectory.

THOMAS J. AND ALICE P. PURDUE.

A Liberal Offer.

The undersigned will give a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets to any one wanting a reliable remedy for disorders of the stomach, biliousness or constipation. This is a new remedy and a good one. All Druggists.

SERVICES WEDNESDAY.

Services Wednesday, June 11th, at the Episcopal church:
8 a. m. Holy Communion, Bishop Gray celebrant.

1 p. m. Wedding.
7 p. m. Evening prayer and sermon. Rev. THOMAS J. PURDUE, Rector.

His Last Hope Realized.

(From the Sentinel, Gales, Mont.)
In the first opening of Oklahoma to settlers in 1889, the editor of this paper was among the many seekers after fortune who made the big race one fine day in April. During his traveling about and afterwards his camping upon his claim, he encountered much bad water, which together with the severe heat, gave him a very severe diarrhoea which it seemed almost impossible to check, and along in June the case became so bad he expected to die. One day one of his neighbors brought him one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy as a last hope. A big dose was given him while he was rolling about on the ground in great agony, and in a few minutes the dose was repeated. The good effect of the medicine was soon noticed and within an hour the patient was taking his first sound sleep for a fortnight. That one little bottle worked a complete cure, and he cannot help but feel grateful. The season for bowel disorders being at hand suggests this item. For sale by All Druggists.

Our New Spring Stock

of Latest Styles in

Millinery,
Trimmed Hats,
and Sailors of
all Kinds.
Dress Goods,
Trimnings,
Men and Boys' Clothing,
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Is now in and ready for public inspection. We invite everyone to call and examine our goods and get our prices. No trouble to show goods.

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—Good Health Demands—

Wholesome Food,

SUCH AS YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND AT THE

P. G. M. AND S. S. CO.

(Punta Gorda Market and Ship Supply Co.)

Everything in the Grocery line, including Fresh Meats, of all kinds, Fruits, Vegetables, Eggs, and Chickens. Rock bottom prices throughout. **Prompt Free Delivery.**

Seward's.

Whole wheat and Graham flour at SEWARD'S. Before painting or re-painting your house get Seward's prices on paints, oils and Atlantic lead. New stock of ready mixed paints received this week.

Seward's hardware department may not be the most complete in the United States, but when it comes to prices, he'll startle creation. Ship chandlery, building material, tools, implements, etc., at honest prices.

Seward will positively save you 25 to 50 per cent on footwear. This is what scores of new customers tell us, and they speak the truth. Honest goods at live and let live prices is our motto. A new stock of good, durable shoes just opened.

Go to Seward's for fresh, first-class groceries at the lowest possible prices.

Remember, that R. K. Seward is agent for both Mapes' and Wilson & Loomis's fertilizers—best manufactured.

Seward's gents' furnishing department is recognized by all thinking people as a money-saving annex. Here you get regular 50-cent articles for a quarter.

Seward will supply you with anything from a needle to a brick house, at the lowest prices. Remember this.

Seward's.

Everybody is Interested

In getting the BEST goods at the LOWEST prices.

That is what we are doing—getting the best of everything at lowest cost and giving

Our Customers the Benefit of the LOW PRICES we get ourselves. Accordingly when in need of Dry Goods, and Groceries, Shoes, Hats, Gents' Furnishings, or anything else in the nature of FAMILY, FARM or BOAT SUPPLIES, you will find it to your interest to call on

E. WOTITZKY,

Punta Gorda, Florida.

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